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Applicants:

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Title:

SEAL ASSEMBLY FOR RECIPROCATING SHAFT

## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 / PETITION FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Seattle, Washington 98101

June 20, 2006.

### TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the aboveidentified application, in which prosecution is closed.

<u>X</u>	1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows:
•	X a. Please consider the Amendment/Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on May 9, 2006.
X	_ 2. Small entity status is as follows
	X a. Small entity status was previously asserted and continues to be appropriate.
<u>X</u>	3. Applicants respectfully request that the shortened statutory period for response to the final Office Action, dated February 9, 2006, set to expire on May 9, 2006, be extended by 2 months, to expire on July 9, 2006. The enclosed check includes the 2-month extension fee of \$225.00.
<u>X</u> .	4. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below.
	X a. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

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#### COMPUTATION OF FEE

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	Number Filed After Any	Highest Number Previously			Present				Additional
	Amendment		Paid For		Extra		Rate		Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee		-		=		х		=	395
Total Claims	1	-	20	=	0	X	25	=	0
Independent Claims	1	-	3	=	0	x	100	=	0
Extension of Time						+	225		225
	TOTAL								\$620

- X 5. Check No. 17103 in the amount of \$620.00, as computed above, is enclosed in payment of the required fees for filing the present request for continued examination.
- X
  6. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this request is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in a sealed envelope as first-class mail with postage thereon fully prepaid and addressed to Mail Stop RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the below date.

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